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IN THE STATE COURT OF CHATTOOGA COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA SANDY COHEN, Plaintiff, V. CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. LELAND WOLFE, RYAN LOGISTICS, INC., BLITZ TRANSPORTATION, INC. AUTO-OWNERS INSURANCE Kim Wirdle James, Clerk Chattooga County, Georgia Civil ACTION FILE NO. AUTO-OWNERS INSURANCE

COMPLAINT

COMPANY,

Defendants.

COMES NOW Plaintiff herein and file this Complaint for money damages as follows:

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6.

On or about June 30th, 2020, on a public roadway known as State Road 1 near its intersection with Farrar Drive, Plaintiff Sandy Cohen was driving a 2010 Honda Pilot in a safe and prudent manner.

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On or about said date, at approximately 9:30 a.m., the vehicle in which the Plaintiff was driving was impacted by a tractor-trailer being driven by Defendant Wolfe and owned by Defendants Ryan Logistics, Inc. and/or Blitz Transportation, Inc.

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By reason of the principal/agent relationship that existed between Defendant Wolfe and Defendants Ryan Logistics, Inc. and/or Blitz Transportation, Inc., at said time and place, any negligence on the part of Defendant Wolfe in the operation of said motor vehicle is imputed to Defendants Ryan Logistics, Inc. and/or Blitz Transportation, Inc.

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- (g) Any and all acts of negligence which may be shown at trial due to Defendants having failed to exercise ordinary care under the circumstances as required by O.C.G.A. § 51-1-2.

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As a direct result of said negligence and gross negligence on the part of said Defendants, Plaintiff incurred damages of medical expenses, lost wages, and extensive physical pain and mental anguish.

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All of the injuries to Plaintiff as stated herein are due to the negligence and gross negligence of the Defendants, and said negligence is the sole, direct, and proximate cause of injuries to the Plaintiff, unmixed with any negligence on the part of the Plaintiff or on the part of any other person. Plaintiff has needed medical treatment due to these injuries and will continue to need treatment in the future. A partial list of that treatment is as follows:

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 - (d) Plaintiff have and be awarded a trial by jury; and

(e) Plaintiffs have such other and further relief as this court and jury may deem just and proper under the premises and circumstances.

THE LAW OFFICE OF RICKARD, DREW & NIX

By: /s/ Clyde Rickard

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CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify under the seal of my office that copies of legal documents regarding service of process upon:

Leland Wolfe

have been filed with the Secretary of State on 07/08/2022 pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 40-12-2 relating to the following matter:

Case: Sandy Cohen v. Leland Wolfe Court: State Court of Chattooga County

Civil Action No.: 22SCA3905

Witness my hand and official seal in the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia on 07/09/2022.



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SERVICE OF PROCESS

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FILING INFORMATION

Filing Type : Service of Process

Control Number : SOP-22148001

DEFENDANT INFORMATION

The name of the business entity or individual (the "defendant") for which the Secretary of State is being served as statutory agent is as follows:

Defendant Type : Individual

Defendant's Name : Leland Wolfe

Defendant's Address Where Service

Attempted and/or Forwarded : 880 Black Road, Hopewell, OH, 43746, USA

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Service is being made on the Secretary of State pursuant to the following O.C.G.A. section:

O.C.G.A. § 40-12-2

CASE INFORMATION

The service of process filing relates to the following proceeding:

Name of Plaintiff : Sandy Cohen

Style of Proceeding : Sandy Cohen v. Leland Wolfe, Ryan Logistics, Inc., Blitz Transportation, Inc., and

Auto-Owners Insurance Company

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SERVICE OF PROCESS DOCUMENTS

See attached document(s).

FILER'S INFORMATION

Filer Type : Individual

Name : Jessica C Nix, Nix

Address : 229 Peachtree St NE, Suite 2420, Atlanta, GA, 30303, USA

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DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

TO: WOLFE, LELAND

You are hereby summoned and required to file with the Clerk of said court and serve upon the Plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address is:

Jessica Nix The Law Office of Rickard, Drew & Nix 229 Peachtree Street NE International Tower, Suite 2420 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within 30 days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This 22nd day of June, 2022.

Clerk of State Court

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PLAINTIFF S FIRST INTERROGATORIES AND RE UEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO DEFENDANT LELAND WOLFE

COME NOW the Plaintiffs and for purposes of discovery and all purposes authorized by law, require the Defendant, Leland Wolfe, to answer under oath the following Interrogatories within forty-five (45) days from the date of service hereof, as provided by law, and to serve a copy of said Answers on Plaintiff, c/o The Law Office of Rickard, Drew Nix, Suite 2420, International Tower, 229 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

NOTE A: When used in these Interrogatories and Request to Produce, the word "you," or any synonym thereof, is intended to and shall embrace and include in addition to the Defendant named above, said Defendant's attorneys, agents, servants, employees, representatives, investigators, and all others who may have obtained information for or on behalf of said Defendant and over which information Defendant has control and access.

NOTE B: Pursuant to Georgia Civil Practice Act, these Interrogatories are to be regarded as continuing in nature and Defendant is requested to seasonably

supplement the responses with respect to any question directly addressed to (a) the identity and location of persons having knowledge of discoverable matters, and (b) the identity of each person expected to be called as an expert witness at trial, the subject matter of which is expected to be called as an expert witness at trial, the subject matter of which he is expected to testify and the substance of his testimony. The Defendant is further requested to seasonably amend his responses if he obtains information upon the basis of which (a) he knows that the response was incorrect when made, or (b) he knows that the response is no longer true.

1.

Please state your address, telephone number, date of birth, social security number, license number, and the name of your spouse and children.

2.

Please list every other address you have resided at in the past ten (10) years, specifying how long you have resided at each address.

3.

Please state the name, address, and telephone number of all persons who have any knowledge whatsoever of the collision which is the subject matter of the Complaint heretofore filed who are known to you or your attorneys or representatives, specifically identifying those who are eyewitnesses.

4.

Is Defendant protected by liability insurance <u>or any other insuring agreements</u> for any damages that they may be required to pay Plaintiff as a result of this action If so, please state the name and address of such insurance company or companies, the limits of liability of the policy or policies, the named insurance company and the limits

of liability of the policy or policies, and the named insured in said policy or policies. For any insuring agreements, please describe the key terms of this agreement, and what additional protection is afforded to Defendant pursuant to said agreement.

5.

Did you reside with any relatives when the collision occurred that is the subject of this lawsuit

- (a) If so, did the relative own a motor vehicle(s) at the time of the collision that is the subject of this lawsuit
- (b) If so, was there a policy of insurance, containing liability coverage, insuring this/these vehicle(s) at the time of the collision that is the subject of this lawsuit

6.

Is there a punitive damage exclusion in the insurance policy or policies applicable to the subject collision

7.

Has Defendant or anyone acting on his behalf obtained from any witness or person any reports, statements, recordings, or testimony concerning the facts of this cause of action If so, as to each such person, please state the following:

- a) Name and address of the witness or person referred to;
- b) Date of taking or making of same;
- c) The name and address of the person taking the same; and
- d) The name and address of the person or persons presently in possession of same.

8.

Are you or any of your agents currently in possession of maps, plans, drawings, or photographs relating to the collision complained of whether they were in existence prior to or made subsequent to the happening complained of, showing the location or surrounding area of the site of the collision—If so, please describe same and give the name and address of each and every person having custody of the thing described or a copy thereof.

9.

Do you contend that Plaintiff contributed in any manner concerning the cause of the collision involved in this action

If your answer is "yes," please state with particularity each and every act or omission of Plaintiffs which you contend constituted a contributing cause on the part of Plaintiffs and give a detailed statement of the facts which you contend support each allegation of negligence. *See* Carver v. Tift County Hospital Authority, 268 Ga. App. 153 (2004); Exum v. Melton, 244 Ga. App. 775 (2000).

10.

Please state whether or not you received a ticket, citation or any summons of a criminal nature whatsoever as a result of the incident complained of by Plaintiffs in this case. If so, please state the nature and disposition of the same and the Court involved. Further, state to what, if any, charges you pled guilty.

11.

Please give the names and addresses of any expert witness you may call in this action and as to each such expert witness, please state:

- a) The subject matter on which the expert is expected to testify;
- b) The substance of facts and opinions to which the expert is expected to testify;
- c) A summary of the grounds for each opinion of such expert; and
- d) Whether they have supplied you with a written opinion.

12.

Does the Defendant claim that the actions of any other person, firm, corporation, association, or other entity other than the Plaintiffs and Defendant caused or contributed to this action or has a real or potential interest in this lawsuit in any way If your answer is "yes," please explain.

13.

Were you injured in the collision complained of in this action If so, please state the nature and extent of the injuries sustained and the name and address of any medical personnel and institutions treating you.

14.

Have you ever had a license to operate a motor vehicle suspended or revoked If so, list separately:

- a) When and where it was suspended or revoked;
- b) The period of suspension or revocation; and
- c) The reason for such suspension or revocation.

15.

In the five (5) years preceding this collision or the years subsequent to this collision, have you been involved in any collision involving motor vehicles If so,

please give a brief description of said collision and state the date, time, and location of the collision and the names and addresses of the parties involved.

16.

Have you ever been a party to any lawsuit whether civil or criminal other than the present one If so, please identify each action by stating when, where, the nature of the action, the disposition of the case, and the name of the attorney who represented you.

17.

Please state whether you have ever been convicted of a crime. If so, please state the nature of said conviction and the date and place thereof.

18.

After the subject collision, did anyone make any statement concerning the event If so, please state:

- a) By whom each statement was made;
- b) To whom each statement was made; and
- c) The content of the statement.

19.

At the time of the collision did you own a pair of eyeglasses or other corrective lenses If so, were you wearing them at the time If you were not, explain why not.

20.

Has anyone on your behalf made an inspection or appraisal of the Plaintiff's vehicle If so, please state all facts pertaining to same and attach any relevant estimates, appraisals or other relevant documents.

Have you ever had any medical or any other impairment with respect to your eyesight, hearing, emotional stability for any drinking problems, drug problems, or differences prior to or subsequent to this lawsuit Please list the name and address, phone numbers of all persons who have treated you for such problems.

22.

If you had consumed any alcoholic beverages within the forty-eight (48) hours preceding the collision, please state the following:

- a) The location(s);
- b) An exact description of the amount and type of alcohol;
- c) The exact date(s) and time(s) consumption took place; and
- d) Any witnesses to any consumption within this said forty-eight (48) hours.

23.

State specifically the name and address of your current employer and any additional employers for whom you have worked in the past five (5) years, giving as to each, the dates of employment, the nature of your work, reason for leaving, and the average rate of pay received on a weekly, monthly, and yearly basis.

24.

With reference to the trip you were taking at the time of the incident which is the subject of this lawsuit, please state:

- a) Where the trip began;
- b) The location of any stops made prior to the collision;
- c) The reason for that trip.

Please state if, at the time of the incident, you were performing any duty or task for your employer or under anyone's supervision at the time of the incident that is the subject of the lawsuit. If you were in the scope of your employment at the time of the incident, please describe in detail the duties and responsibilities you had with reference to your employment at that time.

26.

With respect to the vehicle you drove at the time of the incident in this lawsuit, please state;

- a) The name and address of the owner of said vehicle;
- b) The make and model of said vehicle;
- c) The current owner and location of said vehicle;
- d) Whether you were driving said vehicle at the time of the collision;
- e) If you rented the vehicle, did you purchase any insurance
- f) Was the vehicle damaged in the collision If so, was it totaled or repaired Also please provide the totaled value or total amount of repairs

27.

Please state whether you have any additional liability insurance policies that would provide you with additional coverage for the damages that are the subject of the lawsuit. If so, please state the name and address of the insurance company, the policy number and the liability limits of this insurance policy or policies.

28.

Please state with reasonable particularity each and every traffic violation, misdemeanor, and felony with which you have been charged/given a citation within the last ten (10) years. For each please state the following:

- a) The exact charge/citation;
- b) The date of arrest/ticket;
- c) If a guilty plea was entered and/or the disposition of the charge/citation;
- d) The date of disposition of the charge/citation; and
- e) The Court of disposition.

29.

With respect to <u>all</u> previous DUI convictions, please provide the County in which the disposition of the case took place, the plea that you entered, the sentence that was rendered, and the exact test results from any and all blood/breath tests that were administered to you at the time of your arrest.

30.

If you allege any defense to this action based on jurisdiction, venue, or service of process, as to each such defense, please state:

- a) All facts upon which you rely in asserting such defense;
- b) The names and addresses of all persons having knowledge of the facts stated in (a) above;
- c) A complete description of all documents in your possession which support the assertions of the said defense;
- d) The names and addresses of all persons having custody and/or control of the documents described in (c) above; and

e) Please provide the full and complete permanent residence and business address of the Defendant.

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THE LAW OFFICE OF RICKARD, DREW & NIX

By: /s/ Clyde Rickard_

CLYDE E. RICKARD

State Bar No. 604625

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State Bar No. 271112 Attorneys for Plaintiff

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PLAINTIFF AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS UPON NON-RESIDENT MOTORISTS

I, Jessica C. Nix, the undersigned, am the attorney who represents the Plaintiff in the case of:

Sandy Cohen v. Leland Wolfe, Ryan Logistics, Inc., Blitz Transportation, Inc., and Auto-Owners Insurance Company State Court of Chattooga County CAFN: 22SCA3905

I do hereby certify that, in accordance with O.C.G.A. 40-12-2, I have forwarded notice of the above case and notice of service upon the Georgia Secretary of State along with a copy of the complaint and process to the Defendants at the following addresses:

Leland Wolfe 880 Black Road Hopewell, OH 43746

I further certify that, <u>I SHALL FILE WITH THE APPROPRIATE COURT</u> appended to the documents this case including the Summons and Process: (1) any return receipt received as evidence of service upon the defendant by the plaintiff and (2) a copy of this plaintiff's affidavit of compliance.

This $\frac{1}{2}$ day of $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{2}$

NAME:

ADDRESS:

229 Peachtree Street

Suite 2420 – International Tower

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Sworn to me and subscribed

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IN THE STATE COURT OF CHATTOOGA COUNTY

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NOTICE OF SERVICE THROUGH SECRETARY OF STATE

To: Leland Wolfe 880 Black Road Hopewell, OH 43746

Service of process will be perfected upon you in the above styled case by serving a copy of the Statement of Claim/Summons and Notice of Service through the Secretary of State of the State of Georgia along with a ten (\$10.00) fee. This type of service is proper on a non-resident Defendant who has caused injury with an automobile on Georgia highways. As required by Georgia Law O.C.G.A. § 40-12-2, I have mailed you a copy of the Statement of Claim/Summons and Notice of Service by certified mail at the above address.

This Complaint must be answered within thirty (30) days from the date of service of a copy of the Complaint, Summons, Interrogatories, and Requests for Production of Documents to you.

Respectfully submitted this 7th day of July, 2022.

THE LAW OFFICE OF RICKARD, DREW & NIX

By: /s/ Clyde Rickard
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General Civil and Domestic Relations Case Filing Information Form CLERK OF STATE COURT CHATTOOGA COUNTY, GEORGIA 22SCA3905 ☐ Superior or ☑ State Court of Chattooga County JUN 22, 2022 01:58 I For Clerk Use Only **Date Filed** <u>06-22</u>-2022 Case Number 22SCA3905 Kim Windle Jame Chattooga County, MM-DD-YYYY Plaintiff(s) Defendant(s) COHEN, SANDY WOLFE, LELAND Suffix Middle I. First Middle I. **Prefix** First Suffix **Prefix** Last Last RYAN LOGISTICS, INC. Suffix First Middle I. **Suffix Prefix** Last First Middle I. **Prefix** Last BLITZ TRANSPORTATION, INC **First** Middle I. **Suffix Prefix** Middle I. Suffix Last Last First **Prefix** AUTO-OWNERS INSURANCE COMPANY Middle I. Suffix Middle I. Suffix Last First Prefix Last First **Prefix** Plaintiff's Attorney $\underline{\mathbb{N}}ix$, Jessica Bar Number 940625 Self-Represented □ Check one case type and, if applicable, one sub-type in one box. **General Civil Cases Domestic Relations Cases** V **Automobile Tort** Adoption Civil Appeal Contempt **Contract** ☐ Non-payment of child support, Contempt/Modification/Other medical support, or alimony **Dissolution/Divorce/Separate Post-Judgment Garnishment** Maintenance/Alimony **Family Violence Petition General Tort** Modification П **Habeas Corpus** ☐ Custody/Parenting Time/Visitation Injunction/Mandamus/Other Writ **Paternity/Legitimation** Landlord/Tenant **Medical Malpractice Tort** Support - IV-D Support - Private (non-IV-D) **Product Liability Tort** П **Other Domestic Relations Real Property Restraining Petition** Other General Civil Check if the action is related to another action(s) pending or previously pending in this court involving some or all of the same parties, subject matter, or factual issues. If so, provide a case number for each. Case Number Case Number I hereby certify that the documents in this filing, including attachments and exhibits, satisfy the requirements for V redaction of personal or confidential information in O.C.G.A. § 9-11-7.1. Is a foreign language or sign-language interpreter needed in this case? If so, provide the language(s) required. Language(s) Required

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DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

TO: BLITZ TRANSPORTATION, INC.

You are hereby summoned and required to file with the Clerk of said court and serve upon the Plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address is:

Jessica Nix The Law Office of Rickard, Drew & Nix 229 Peachtree Street NE International Tower, Suite 2420 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within 30 days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This 22nd day of June, 2022.

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DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

TO: AUTO-OWNERS INSURANCE COMPANY

You are hereby summoned and required to file with the Clerk of said court and serve upon the Plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address is:

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DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

TO: RYAN LOGISTICS, INC.

You are hereby summoned and required to file with the Clerk of said court and serve upon the Plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address is:

Jessica Nix The Law Office of Rickard, Drew & Nix 229 Peachtree Street NE International Tower, Suite 2420 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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SUMMONS

TO: WOLFE, LELAND

You are hereby summoned and required to file with the Clerk of said court and serve upon the Plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address is:

Jessica Nix The Law Office of Rickard, Drew & Nix 229 Peachtree Street NE International Tower, Suite 2420 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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v.) CIVIL ACTION	
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Defendants)	

PLAINTIFF S FIRST INTERROGATORIES AND RE UEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO DEFENDANT AUTO OWNERS INSURANCE COMPANY

COMES NOW the Plaintiff and for purposes of discovery and all purposes authori ed by law, require the Defendant, Auto-Owners Insurance Company., to answer under oath the following Interrogatories within forty-five (45) days from the date of service hereof, as provided by law, and to serve a copy of said Answers on Plaintiff c/o The Law Office of Rickard, Drew Ni , Suite 2420, International Tower, 229 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303.

NOTE A: When used in these Interrogatories and Request to Produce, the word "you," or any synonym thereof, is intended to and shall embrace and include in addition to the defendant Ryan Logistics, Inc./Blit Transportation, Inc. named above, said Defendant's attorneys, agents, servants, employees, representatives, investigators, and all others who may have obtained information for or on behalf of said Defendant and over which information Defendant has control and access.

NOTE B: These Interrogatories are to be regarded as continuing in nature and Defendant is requested to seasonably supplement its responses with respect to any question directly addressed to (a) the identity and location of persons having knowledge of discoverable matters, and (b) the identity of each person e pected to be called as an e pert witness at trial, the subject matter of which he is e pected to be called as an e pert witness at trial, the subject matter of which he is e pected to testify and the substance of his testimony. The Defendant is further requested to seasonably amend its responses if it obtains information upon the basis of which (a) it knows that the response was incorrect when made, or (b) it knows that the response is no longer true.

You are requested not to respond to any interrogatory by referring to the responses to other interrogatories or by adoption since each and every interrogatory is subject to being introduced into evidence, and therefore should for this purpose, complete in themselves.

In the event that any information, documents, or things requested herein are withheld under a claim of privilege, you are requested to provide the following information with respect to each:

- (1) The type of information, document, or thing, its general subject matter, the place, and the appropriate date it was gathered, learned, and created
- (2) The name, address, phone number, and title of each person who prepared, created, learned and gathered the information, document or thing and the name, address, phone number, and title of each person who has received and e amined the information, document, or thing or copy thereof and
- (3) A statement of the circumstances which bear on whether or not the claim of privilege is appropriate and whether the privilege that is claimed should e tend to all or just part of the information, document, or thing.

DEFINITIONS

As used herein, the terms listed below are defined as follows:

- (1) DOCUMENT means each and every writing or record of every type and description that is or has been in your possession, custody or control, or of which you have knowledge, including but by no means limited to, correspondence, memoranda, tapes, notes, publications, books, pamphlets, films, drawings, maps, reports, surveys, minutes of meetings, voice recordings, and/or their transcriptions or calculations.
- (2) PERSON means any natural person, corporation, partnership, proprietorship, organi ation, association, or collective group of persons.
- (3) COLLISION and OCCURRENCE refer to the instant incident which forms the basis of Plaintiff's Complaint.
- (4) IDENTIFY with respect to any and all PERSONS(S) or any reference to stating the IDENTITY of any PERSON(S) means supply the name, residence address, work address, residence telephone number, work telephone number, business name, employer of each and every such person, and a detailed description of each such persons connection with the instant incident.
 - (5) IDENTIFY with respect to any DOCUMENT(S) or any reference to stating the IDENTIFICATION of any DOCUMENT(S) means to provide a detailed and specific description of said DOCUMENT(S), providing the title and date of such document, the name, address, and telephone number of the person(s) responsible for the preparation of said document, the name, address, and telephone number for the person(s) who have custody and/or

control of such document(s), or duplicates or copies thereof.

1.

Please state your legal corporate name, full legal address, full business name, and the address of your principal place of business.

2.

If Leland Wolfe or Ryan Logistics, Inc./Blit Transportation, Inc., Inc. are protected by liability insurance or any other insuring agreements or self insured provisions for any damages that they may be required to pay Plaintiff as a result of this action, please state the name and address of such insurance company or companies or self insuring entities, the limits of liability for such agreements or policy or policies, and the named insured in said policy or policies. For any self insuring agreements, please describe the key terms of this agreement, and what additional protection is afforded to each Defendant listed herein pursuant to said agreement.

3.

Were any tests, inspections or measurements made or taken with respect to the accident scene or any object involved. If so, state the subject of each test, inspection or measurement, the purpose of each such test, inspection or measurement, the name and address of the person who conducted each test, inspection or measurement the date on which each test, inspection or measurement was performed the findings and results of each test, inspection or measurement and the name and address of the person now having custody of any written report concerning each test, inspection or measurement.

4.

Was any investigation conducted concerning the accident in question or any party or witness thereto, including surveillance of the Plaintiff If so, state the name, address and occupation of the person who conducted each investigation the name and address of the person who requested each investigation to be made the date on which each investigation was conducted the place where each investigation was performed and the name and address of the person now having custody of each written report made concerning each investigation.

5.

Please identify each person, firm, or entity that you contend caused or contributed to the collision which forms the subject of the present action, and state the facts upon which you base your contention.

6.

State whether you or anyone acting on your behalf obtained statements in any form from any person with knowledge of the incident complained of in the Complaint. If any statement in any form was obtained, state the name and address of the person by whom and to whom such statement was made the date the statement was made the form of the statement and the names and addresses of all persons presently having custody of the statement.

7.

Please state whether you or persons subject to your control have any photographs, videotapes, or movies pertaining to the collision forming the subject matter of this litigation, the scene of the collision, or of the Plaintiff. If the answer is in the affirmative, please state the number of such photographs, videotapes, or movies and the subject of each the date each was taken then name and address of the individual who took same and the custodian of each photograph, videotape, or movie.

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documents as required by law. The documents requested shall be produced within forty-

five (45) days after service of this request at the offices of The Law Office of Rickard, Drew

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documents to Clyde E. Rickard at the aforementioned address. If you contend that any of

the requested documents are privileged from discovery, please state how you contend that

they are privileged. The requested documents are:

1.

All documents referred to or necessary to support the answers to Interrogatories

numbered 2-7.

2.

You are requested to produce to Plaintiff any documents received through third

party requests or subpoenas in a timely manner (Plaintiff will pay the cost of copies if

requested).

3.

Please produce any property damage estimates or photographs in your

possession or those taken on your behalf.

THE LAW OFFICE OF RICKARD, DREW & NIX

By: /s/ Clyde Rickard_

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PLAINTIFF S FIRST INTERROGATORIES AND RE UEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO DEFENDANT BLIT TRANSPORTATION, INC,

COMES NOW the Plaintiff and for purposes of discovery and all purposes authori ed by law, require the Defendant, BLITZ TRANSPORTATION, INC., to answer under oath the following Interrogatories within forty-five (45) days from the date of service hereof, as provided by law, and to serve a copy of said Answers on Plaintiff c/o The Law Office of Rickard, Drew Ni , Suite 2420, International Tower, 229 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303.

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duplicates or copies thereof.

1.

Please state your legal corporate name, full legal address, full business name, and the address of your principal place of business.

2.

If Leland Wolfe or Blit Transportation, Inc. are protected by liability insurance or any other insuring agreements or self insured provisions for any damages that they may be required to pay Plaintiff as a result of this action, please state the name and address of such insurance company or companies or self insuring entities, the limits of liability for such agreements or policy or policies, and the named insured in said policy or policies. For any self insuring agreements, please describe the key terms of this agreement, and what additional protection is afforded to each Defendant listed herein pursuant to said agreement.

3.

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STATE OF GEORGIA Lew Lewill James

SANDY COHEN,	Kim Windli Chattooga C	le James, Cle County, Georg
Plaintiff,))	
v.) CIVIL ACTION	
LELAND WOLFE, RYAN LOGISTICS, INC., BLITZ TRANSPORTATION, INC. AUTO-OWNERS INSURANCE COMPANY,) FILE NO)))))	
Defendants.)))	

PLAINTIFF S FIRST INTERROGATORIES AND RE UEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO DEFENDANT RYAN LOGISTICS, INC,

COMES NOW the Plaintiff and for purposes of discovery and all purposes authori ed by law, require the Defendant, RYAN LOGISTICS, INC., to answer under oath the following Interrogatories within forty-five (45) days from the date of service hereof, as provided by law, and to serve a copy of said Answers on Plaintiff c/o The Law Office of Rickard, Drew Ni, Suite 2420, International Tower, 229 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303.

NOTE A: When used in these Interrogatories and Request to Produce, the word "you," or any synonym thereof, is intended to and shall embrace and include in addition to the defendant Ryan Logistics, Inc. named above, said Defendant's attorneys, agents, servants, employees, representatives, investigators, and all others who may have obtained information for or on behalf of said Defendant and over which information Defendant has control and access.

NOTE B: These Interrogatories are to be regarded as continuing in nature and Defendant is requested to seasonably supplement its responses with respect to any question directly addressed to (a) the identity and location of persons having knowledge of discoverable matters, and (b) the identity of each person e pected to be called as an e pert witness at trial, the subject matter of which he is e pected to be called as an e pert witness at trial, the subject matter of which he is e pected to testify and the substance of his testimony. The Defendant is further requested to seasonably amend its responses if it obtains information upon the basis of which (a) it knows that the response was incorrect when made, or (b) it knows that the response is no longer true.

You are requested not to respond to any interrogatory by referring to the responses to other interrogatories or by adoption since each and every interrogatory is subject to being introduced into evidence, and therefore should for this purpose, complete in themselves.

In the event that any information, documents, or things requested herein are withheld under a claim of privilege, you are requested to provide the following information with respect to each:

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- (2) The name, address, phone number, and title of each person who prepared, created, learned and gathered the information, document or thing and the name, address, phone number, and title of each person who has received and e amined the information, document, or thing or copy thereof and
- (3) A statement of the circumstances which bear on whether or not the claim of privilege is appropriate and whether the privilege that is claimed should e tend to all or just part of the information, document, or thing.

DEFINITIONS

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